ST. HELENS, OREGON, FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 1905.

NEWS OF THE WEEK

In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

HAPPENINGS OF TWO CONTINENTS

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week,

Nevada state health officers report conditions improving at Tonopah, the new mining camp.

The senate committee on interstate commerce has commenced its hearings on railway legislation.

Commissioner Garfield is holding night sessions examining into Standard

tried in California.

Chicago teamsters' sympathizers have mobbed the negro drivers for Montgomery. Ward & Co., and other disturbances are daily occurring in con-nection with the strike.

The supreme court of the United States has decided the case involving the removal of George W. Beavers from Brooklyn to Washington against Beavers, holding him subject to removal

The preliminary legal battle is on at Portland in connection with the land fraud cases. Hermann, Mitchell, Willamson and the smaller offenders are all in attendancel at Judge Bellinger's court. The best legal talent of the state is arrayed against Prosecutor Hency and they will be augmented later by some of the best lawyers of the

Chicago will own the city's car lines

Carnegie will soon distribute \$12. 500,000 among 50 colleges in 17 states

Minturn, a small Colorado mining

of three cruisers.

Indiana's anti-cigarette law is in force and a cigarette cannot be purchased in the state.

Further violence on the part of the strikers has ended peace conferences on that possibly more warships were inthe Chicago teamsters' strike. The revivalists who have just left

Portland and gone to Seattle say the latter city is the purer of the two. Russia accuses British ships of spy

ing on the movements of the Baltic fleet and reporting to the Japansee. Omaha retailers have had the price

of beef raised on them. They are now paying \$15 to \$20 more per carcase than they were two weeks ago.

A number of Chicago beef trust nesses have fled to Canada and their wives have been summoned before the grand jury to tell what they know.

The Russian army is retreating to

Another earthquake in India ha wrecked two towns.

The Russian fleet has changed its course and gone eastward to coal Bloody disturbances are expected

throughout Russia on May day.

Paul Jones' body has been found in Paris and will be brought home for

The crar has announced his intention of revising the land laws in order to quiet the peasants.

The Winnebago Indians, in Nebras claiming to have been robbed of their lands by agents.

The Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company will spend \$500,000 on new lines in Utah, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming in 1905.

A commission has been appointed to decide the dispute on international The waterways in question are the Rio Grande and Colorado on the south and the Milk river on the north

Cader Powell has assumed office as marshal at Nome, Alaska, pending in-

An unknown malady is killing many people at Tonopah, the new mining camp of Nevada. Hundreds are fleeing from the destrict to escape the disease

Japan has been called upon to punish Formosans who murdered eight American sailors.

Four beef trust officials have been indicted by the Federal grand jury at Chicago for spiriting a witness away.

Both parties in the Chicago strike refuse to confer and the employers have night that he had hop s of an early set-adopted a plan by which they hope to tlement of the teamsters strike against

President Roosevelt has left Oklahoma for Colorado. He may be induced to come on to Portland and at-

The two hostile fleets in Asiatic waters have not yet come together, but they are fast approaching each other and a battle is expected at any time.

It is said the interned Russian ships are preparing for a dash from Shanghai and China will be unable to prevent it, as she has no war vessels near.

general offices of the road divsio west of Port Huron. The building was new and was valued at \$125,000.

SHONTS IS TO BE CHIEF.

Secretary Taft Says He Will Work With Panama Commission.

New York, April 18. - Secretary of War Tatt, who is here to attend the Four Boys Killed and Many Inannual meeting of the directors of the Panama railroad company in this city tomorrow, had this to say tonight on the affairs of the railroad company:

"The meeting will result in a complete reofganization of the company The government is now in control o the stock. It is absolutely essential for the United States to control the Hundreds Were Walting at Indianapaffairs of the company in the work of constructing the canal. We desire the affairs of the road conducted in harmony with the commission which will have charge of the general construction work.

"With this end in view, the directors of the Panama railroad company at the meeting will elect Theodore P Shonts, the new chairman of the Panalocal theater, which were being discontinuous to the panalocal theater, which were being discontinuous to the panalocal theater, which were being discontinuous to the panalocal theater.

Panama railroad company.
"With Mr. Shonts at the head of the trial in Washington on land fraud charges, the United States supreme court having denied his right to the construction is in progress. The entire official board of the company the commission or men who are interested in the work of constructing the canal.

By official board I mean the officers and directors of the company.

"We expect to have this road in readiness at the time the work of the canal construction begins and managed in a manner so as to facilitate this great work."

RUMORS WITHOUT REAL NEWS.

Correspondents Guess at Many Things Beyond Their Vision.

London, April 18. - There is as yet no news of a great naval battle in the Far East, or of the whereabouts of the the central station, who responded to a rival fleets. The Hongkong corresponded to a rival fleets. rival fleets. The Hongkong correspondent of the Daily Mail sends a rumor of a small engagement, but there is no confirmation of this report.

meagre to be instructive. According town, has been practically wiped out to the Daily Mail's Singapore corres-by fire. In North German Lloyd other in desperation. Bids have just been opened by the steamer Prinz Heinrich saw several Navy department for the construction battleships and six cruisers in the bay, but the dispatches to other newspapers are not so precise. The Daily Telegraph's Singapore correspondent, like the Associated Press, merely reports "eighteen vessels," and adds that the captain of the Prinz Heinrich states side the harbor, but that they were in-

visible from the offing.

The presence of the Russian equadron off the Annam coast is raising keen. interest here, in view of the possibility of their infringing Chinese neutrality and of the likelihood of Rojestvensky having had to split his squadron. The Morning Post's correspondent at Shanghai telegraphs that China has instructed the governor of the southern York, and was based on the ground general staff and the war office for inprovinces to maintain strict neutrality that the law interferes with the free in view of the possibility of Russian exercise of the rights of contract ships sheltering there.

WHEELS BLOCKED IN ITALY.

Railway Strike May Extend to Other Forms of Industry.

Rome, April 18 .- Every railway line throughout Italy is tied up this mornemployes, who are dissatisfied with wages and hours of labor. The strike is expected to spread to all of the large industries in the several cities, and before it is ended bloodshed is likely to

result. The strike started in Naples, and a few minutes afterward the heads of labor unions wired to every subordinate organization telling them to notify their members to stop work at midnight. The order was literally obeyed and not a wheel is turning this morning, al-though the officials of the roads allege gate \$450,000, \$100,000 each for the they will have them in operation before the end of the day.

All the station clerks and office employes have been ordered to report to Call, of Sioux City, and \$25,000 each the station masters to aid in moving

Opened by the President. New York, April 18. - With Presi-

dent Roosevelt as the chief guest and eading educators from all sections of the United States among the speakers, the next general sesson of the National Educational association, which will be held in Asbury Park, and Ocean Grove, N. J., next July, promises to be the most notable in the association's his-chinery since its installation, about

The meetings will begin Monday, July 3, and continue five days. An elaborate program has been completed.

President Roosevelt will deliver the principal address of the meeting.

Tunnel Secure from Strikers.

Chicago, April 18.-Labor leaders will hold a conference tomorrow with Mayor Edward F. Lonne, who said to Montgomery, Ward & Co. The coal city. During the 10 years from 1885 teamsters today decided to refuse to 1894, inclusive, the yearly average haul coal to the Montgomery Ward of death rate was 20.02 in every 1,000 building. It is learned tonight that of population. During the succeeding the Chiacgo Tunnel company is rushing 10 years the rate decreased to 15.1 in work on a connection with Montgomery every 1,000 of population. Ward & Co.'s basement.

Grand Trunk Station Burned.

Durand, Mich., April 18. - Fire tonight destroyed the Grand Trunk union station here, in which are located the

CRUSHED TO DEATH

jured by Alarm of Fire.

AFTER FREE THEATER TICKETS

olis Masonic Temple When

Panic Started.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 18 .- Frenlocal theater, which were being dis- Richards says he has examined his offi-

several others. Long before the time approached for stairs of the Masonic Temple, at the southwest corner of Washington street each anxious to be first to receive his When the distribution began, pass. the excitement became more intense, and the efforts of several policemen

who had been detailed to prevent trouble were unavailing. It is alleged that one of the boys, the endeavor to hasten the exit of those who had received their passes, shouted Immediately those at the top faced about and almost with super-

human strength began to force the:r way to the bottom of the stairs. Shrieks and physical effcounters followed for a few seconds, when from some cause those near the top fell headlong on the struggling mass at the bot-Immediately policemen from

Four of the boys were dead when ex tom of the stairs. Others, believed to Details regarding the Russian ships have been fatally crushed, were taken in Kanrah bay, Cochin China, are too out as fast as they could be disentangled from their frencied companions, who fought and clung to each

CANNOT LIMIT HOURS.

Supreme Court Declares New York Bakers' Law Unconstitutional.

Washington, April 18 .- In an opinion by Justice Peckham, the Supreme court of the United States held to be unconstitutional the New York state law making ten hours a day's work and 60 hours a week's work in bakeries in that state. Justices Harlan, White, Day and Holmes dissented and Justice Harlan declared that no more important decision had been rendered in the last century.

The opinion was handed down in the case of Lockner vs. the state of New tween individuals. The court of Appeals of the state upheld the law and affirmed the judgment of the trial court, holding Lockner guilty.

The law involved in the case is sec tion 110 of the New York state labor bakeries in the state. Lockner is a York Appellate courts.

Senator Thurston is Retained.

Sioux City, Ia., April 18 .- John M. Thurston, ex-United States senator Nebraska, has been retained to press claims for indemnity on account of the massacre of several Americans by Yaqui Indians in Sonora, Mex., four men killed, J. K. McKenzie and Dr. Robert McCoy, of Chicago; Walter Stubinger, of Kewanee, 111., and M. H. for the terrible experience of the two

Hoodoo Boat May Be Accepted. Washington, April 18 .- The report of the naval board which conducted the recent trial of the Goldsborough in

Puget sound has been received at the Navy department. In substance it altogether satisfactory, due probably to the natural deterioration of the mafive years ago, the vessel is structurally sound and otherwise in good condition.

Death Rate is Decreasing. Chicago, April 18 .- In closing his 10

health for the city of Chicago, Dr. Arthur R. Reynolds presents in his annual report significant data showing During the 10 years from 1885

American Missionary Slain

Shanghai, April 18 .- A native Christian who has arrived here reports that a band of Chunchuses have murdered an American missionary named Kennedy at Kuhongasien, near Hangchau. He could give no particulars of the alTALKED TOO MUCH.

Severe Rebuke Given to Special Land

Agent Leach. Washingt in, April 17 .- Arnold F. Leach, special agent of the general land office, who is quoted in dispatches from Tacoma as declaring he has unearthed tremendous land frauds in Washington, beside which the Oregon frauds pale into insignificance, has been called severely to account by Land Commissioner Richards

According to Leach's interview, he has Sherlock Holmes done to a frazzle. He made it appear that he had gathered evidence which would send to the officials of Washington, who, he alleged, had been defrauding the governzied by a false alarm of fire, several ment of hundreds of thousands of dol-

ma canal commission, president of the tributed by a traveling representative cial reports to the department and finds of a patent m slicine company, stam-peded in a narrow stairway in the Ma-his interview; Leach has omitted to nothing in them which substantiates company it is certain that its affairs sonic Temple tonight, crushing the life notify the department of his sensation-out of four boys and seriously injuring al discoveries. If he has such evidence as he claims, Mr Richards wants to see Furthermore, Leach is notified the distribution of the tickets, the that special agents are sent out to stairs of the Masonic Temple, at the gather information for the general land office, not for the newspapers; that and Capitol avenue, were crowded with their reports are regarded as confidenwill be comprised of either members of a pushing, yelling crowd of newsboys, tial at all times, and if any part of them is to be made public that infor-

> in Washington. He is not working under the direction of Secretary Hitchcock, but of Mr. Richards, nor is he in charge of land investigations in Washington state. It is not believed any further steps will be taken in Leach's case unless it be to again reprimand him when his reply is received.

ROMANOFFS IN THEIR COFFINS

Cartoon in Prominent Russian Paper Sends Price to Premium.

St. Petersburg, April 17.-Quite ensation was caused this morning by tricated from their position at the bot- the appearance in the Neva, the most widely circulated illustrated weekly in Russia, of a half-tone picture representing the imperial tamily, including the empress, holding the heir to the throne, the background of the picture showing, in shadowy outlines, the emperor, Grand Duke Sergius, Grand Duke Alexis, the dowager empress, the heir to the throne and practically all the members of the Romanoff family lying dead in their coffins. The work is done so skillfully that the shadows in the drapery behind the imperial family are discernible with great difficulty. publishers disclaim any previous knowledge of the shadowy figures. The culprits, who were students employed on the paper, have not yet been located. Copies of this edition of the Neva are

selling at a big premium. The Slova has received its first warning for the publication of articles entitled "The Bureaucracy," and "The War and Reform," in which the paper severely arraigned the bureaucracy, the competency.

SAVED FOR CELILO CANAL

Sand and Gravel Pit at The Dalles Withdrawn from Entry.

Washington, April 17 .- At the relaw, prescribing the hours of labor in quest of Major Langfitt, the secretary of the interior today withdrew from enbaker in the city of Utica and was try lots 1, 2 and 3, in section 2, townfound guilty of permitting an employe ship 21, range 13, adjoining the Seuf-to work in his bakery more than 60 fert property at The Dalles. This it for the use of contractors on The Dalles-Celilo canal before it fell into the hands of speculators. Major Langfitt said it was not known definitely how much sand and gravel was or these lots, but evidently enough to help along with the canal work.

The fact that the government owns this hand will tend to materially reduce the cost of the canal. It is likely the contractors will be allowed to use this sand and gravel without cost.

Convicts Who Broke Jail.

Sacramento, Cal., April 17.—Pale July 1. and emaciated from the effects of the severe wounds received in their break for liberty, and from confinement in the dungeons at Folsom, convicts J. W. Finley and Charles Carson appeared before Judge, Hart's court today and were arraigned on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon with malice and shows that although the speed is not aforethought. Both men are life-termers, and if convicted on this charge they will grace the gallows. These are the convicts who were concerned in the last break at Folsom prison.

Washington, April 17 .- Information has reached Washington through Europe that the Japanese navy has within the last four days commissioned 10 new cears of service as commissioner of torpedo boat destroyers built in Japanshipyards. It is believed that within six weeks 25 additional destroyers, building under rush orders, will be the decrease of the death rate in the put in commission. Three hundred and eighty-one mines planted by the Japanese in front of Port Arthur have been taken up and placed elsewhere.

> Cherries Ten Dollars a Pound. Sacramento, Cal., April 17 .- The for \$100, being \$10 a pound. Manager

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

Granite-A strike has just been made

New Discovery Made in a Well Known After May 18 One-Half Their Wages Old Mine.

ia the old Monumental mine, near here, that bids fair to cause no little ex- bad debtors after May 18, when the or to any other market in the country citement and prove of great value to act of the last legislature regarding the during the last month and a half exthe mining interests of Eastern Ore- exemption of wages from execution will gon. It was made in a winze being go into effect. This act amends the breeders of stock and the handlers of such and the handlers of stock and the h penitentiary many leading citizens and The winze is now down 100 feet and for some time Manager Allen has had a crew drifting from the bottom. The ings if the debt be for family expenses. new discovery shows a vein 20 feet Prior to 1903 all the earnings of a debtledge is two feet of solid quartz, heavily charged with antimonial ruby silver, characteristic of the deposits of ishment were exempt if the earnings silver ore formerly found in this old were needed for the support of a fammine, while on the opposite side of the ily. Under that law men with considvein is a strong seam of gold ore carrying three ounces of gold per ton. The silver ore runs not less than 500 ounces per ton. Between these two rich shoots the entire vein is of a good milling grade. This discovery was made at a depth of about 600 feet below the

For the past four years the property has been owned by the Portland Minmation will be given to the press in Washington, not by officers in the field.

Leach is a subordinate special agent

apex of the Monumental ledge.

Logging Engine for Curtiss Road Albany-An immense logging engine or use on the new logging road of the Curtis Lumber company, in the Cas-cade mountains near Mill City, has arrived in Albany, and will be put operation on the road this spring. The engine comes from the Lima Locomotive works, in Ohio, and is the first of its s'ze and kind to be put into use the lumber business in Oregon. It is of a type calculated to do very heavy, rather than speedy, work, and marks the beginning of a new epoch in the lumbering industry in Linn county.

Independence - The Independence mprovement league is making arrangements for a special car to take its mem-bers to Portland to attend the State league convention April 26. The Lewis and Clark club will be asked to decorate the car, and the "Blue Ribbon" county will be well represented by enthusiastic members of the league. league is taking up the matter of beautifying the town, and a large committee of both ladies and gentlemen will urday-Eugene, Cottage Grove. be appointed to look after this work.

Rogue River Fruit Unharmed. Medford-The recent light frosts in the Rogue river valley have done comparatively no harm; in fact, have been benefit by thinning out the fruit omewhat on overloaded trees, and the best apple and pear crop ever raised in the valley is now practically assured. With the exception of some apple orchards which were allowed to overbear last year, and in consequence which could not set fruit buds for the present season, the fruit bloom was never better locally than now.

Heading Off the Standard Oil. Astoria-The city attorney has been instructed by the public property com-mittee to prepare an ordinance for in-

troduction at the next meeting of the council forbidding the storage of crude oil or other explosives in targer quantities than 100 gallons at any one place presenting this ordinance is the arcompany to erect a large storage tank range and classify this department of on its property near the foot of Sixth

New Opera House for Silverton. Silverton - Work has begun on the foundation of the new opera house The building will occupy a half block, and will be 216x140 feet and two stories high. The opera house will be on the lower floor, and will be 60x90 feet. On the second floor will be a dance hall 60 feet square and two lodge rooms. Besides the opera house there will be three stores on the lower floor. The building will be ready for use by

Fish Cannot Get Over Dam.

Pendleton - Complaints are coming from residents on the Walla Walla river that trout are unable to get over the Northwestern Gas & Electric com pany's dam across the river and that above the dam there is very little fishis not fitted with fish ladders. Those endeavor to scale the obstruction.

Gives Roseburg a Chance.

Eugene-The local directors have decided that the Second Southern Oregon District fair shall not be held in Eugene this year and Roseburg has been given the privilege of giving it there It was thought that the interest taken in the Lewis and Clark exposition by Eugene people would detract from the success of a district fair, so the matter of holding it here this year was given

Orange Boxes for California. Marshfield-General Manager Vala first box of ripe cherries shipped out of gin, of the Coos Bay Furniture factory the state by the Earl Fruit company on at North Bend, announces that he has April 7 was sold in Philadelphia today made a contract with Southern Calimade a contract with Southern California shippers to manufacture 3,000, George B. Katzenstein says this is the 000 orange boxes, and that his factory highest price ever realized from the will be kept running night and day for sale of the first box of California cher- a year. He is installing this week his ries, which is the result of the fierce own sawmill, which will cut 50,000 rivalry among Philadelphia dealers.

STRIKE IN THE MONUMENTAL. | DEBTORS MUST GIVE UP HALF.

May Be Taken by Creditors. Salem-Oregon merchants will have a good remedy against many of their law by making one-half the earnings of range cattle have been holding back on the debtor subject to execution proceedwide. On the hanging-wall side of the or for 30 days next preceding the service of an attachment, execution or garnerable monthly incomes would escape the payment of their debts. The legislature of 1903 amended the law by limiting the amount of earnings exempt to \$75, but leaving the law otherwise the same. As there are comparatively few men working for wages who receive over \$75 a month, this law still enabled men to avoid gebts which they should be compelled to pay, and the legisla-ture of 1905 amended the section still further by adding this clause: "Except when the debt is incurred for family expenses furnished within six months of the date of the service of

> shall be subject to such attachment, execution or garnishment." As construed by the courts, the term 'family expenses'' includes such items

such attachment, execution or garnish-

ment, 50 per cent of such earnings

Oregon Days at the Fair.

Portland-Oregon days, as set apart by the Lewis and Clark fair management are as follows: June 5, Monday —Salem, Dallas; June 6, Tuesday— Baker City, Sumpter; June 7, Wednesday-Pendleton, Heppoer; June 8, Thursday - The Dalles, Prineville, Moro; June 9, Friday-Oregon City, McMinnville, Jone 10, Saturday-Astoria, Hillsboro; June 12, Monday-Albany, Corvallis; June 13, Tuesday-LaGrande, Union; June 14, Wednesday- Ashland, Medford, Jacksonville; June 15, Thursday-Grants Pass; June 16, Friday - Roseburg; June 17, Sat-

Specialty of Fine Chickens. Milton-W. C. Hopson, manager of the Milton Fruitgrowers' union, is raising chickens on a large scale on his farm four miles up on the Walla Walla river. He has four large incubators and four brooders. Mr. Hopson marketing the tiny chickens at \$3 per idly, and the new transcontinental lowdozen, with a ready market for all he hatches. A number of other residents of the vicinity of both Milton and The Western end of the cut-off will

member of the executive committee the educational committee in this Fe Central near Willard and the El nounced intention of the Standard O1 county met at the courthouse to ar- Paso & Northwestern at Llano, N. M. the Clackamas county display. This feature of the exhibit will comprise all kinds of papers and drawings, together with some manuel work, and will be to the credit of the schools.

Cancel Deeds if Fraudulent. Salem-In reply to questions subtorney General Crawford has rendered er daily in battle formation. an opinion holding in substance that anese cavalry advance guard, the dis-the state land board has authority to patch adds, is barely 10 miles away, the state land board has authority to cancel all deeds and certificates school lands wherein fraud appears on place. record, but that it is not within the power of the board to take arbitrary action in the matter. In other words, fraud must be alleged and proven before the board has authority to cancel certificates of sales.

Wasco Land Brings \$45. The Dalles - One of the best land sales ever made in Wasco county bas ing. The dam is seven feet high and just been closed. It was the sale of 725 acres of wheat land adjacent to the is not fitted with fish ladders. Those 123 acres of wheat tailed and account the maricopa & Phoenix railway bridge who have visited that locality say that town of Dufur, which brought the the Maricopa & Phoenix railway bridge who have visited that locality say that town of Dufur, \$33,625, or \$45 at Tempe. Reports from the Roosevelt owner, A. J. Dufur, \$33,625, or \$45 at Tempe. The purchasers were Johnan acre. The purchasers were Johnston Bros., the well known merchants and land owners of Dufur. It is all fine wheat land, and last year 46 bushels of wheat to the acre were harvested off the entire tract.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat-Club, 85@86c per bushel bluestem, 91@93c; valley, 88c. Oats—No. 1 white, \$28@29 per ton;

gray, \$27@28. Hay - Timothy, \$14@16 per ton; clover, \$11@12; grain, \$11@12; cheat, The American chamber of commerce of \$11@12.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, 18c per dozen. Butter—Fancy creamery, 18@22½c. Potatoes — Oregon fancy, \$1@1.15; mmon, 80@90c. Apples-Fancy, \$1.75@2.50 per box;

hoice, \$1@1.25. Hops - Choice 1904, 2316@25c pe Wool — Valley, 20@22c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 15 @ 18c; mohair, choice, 31@32c per pound.

Packers Raise Price and Lay Blame on Cattle Growers.

ADVANCE IN ALL BIG MARKETS.

Chicago, April 14. - Prices of beef have advanced in every important mar-ket of the United States. The consumer is paying the advanced price, which to him represents several cents per pound over what he paid up to ten

days ago. Swift & Co., Armour and Nelson Morris state that no beef has been supplied to the retail markets of Chicago cept at a loss. This, it is declared, has been partially due to the fact that supply until the grass of the range becomes nourishing. Swift & Co., speaking for the packing interests, this after-noon, issued the following statement:

"During the last six weeks the producers of beef cattle have been receiv-ing about \$1 advance over past prices for choice cattle. This simply means that the advance to the consumer in prices would be about \$2 on the one-half of choice cattle that can be used for food purposes. The range cattle producer is the master of the situa-

ATTEMPT TO WRECK WARSHIP.

Caution Saves Connecticut from Being Ruined in Drydock.

New York, April 14.—During the process of placing the new battleship Connecticut in drydock at the navy yard here today, what might have proved a serious accident was avoided by the officer in charge sending down a diver to make thorough examination of the hull before the water should be pumped out and the vessel lowered into the kee! blocks.

The diver discovered a heavy timber as provisions, fuel, rent, furniture, stuck fast to the hull on the port side of the keel, where it had adhered to elry, medical attendance, etc. the rough plating while the vessel was on the ways and had not been released in launching. A failure to discover the timber, it is said, would have resulted in the buckling or crimping of the keel and lower frames when the vessel set-

led on the blocks. Several days previous to the launching of the Connecticut last fall divers were sent down to examine the ways and found a large spike placed where it would have pierced the hull, had it not been found. Later, an official investigation disclosed holes bored in one of

the plates. LOW GRADES FOR SANTA FE

Will Spend Ten Millions on New Road

Through Mountains. Chicago, April 13. - The Record-Herald says: Official announcement is made that the Santa Fe has decided to build a \$10,000,000 cut-off to the Pacific coast with a view to getting rid of the mountain grades which now are en-countered in the trans-continental travel. Orders have been given for the is making a specialty of raising fine chickens, keeping several varieties of purchase of all the material necessary, and work will begin in 30 days. The hatching Rhode Island Reds and is work will be pushed to completion rap-

Freewater are purchasing incubators be at Belen, N. M., 27 miles south of and engaging in the poultry business.

Albuquerque, on the El Paso line, and Albuquerque, on the El Paso line, and the Eastern will be at Texico, 250 Arranging Clackamas' School Display miles away on the Pecos valley lines of Oregon City-Having been assured by the Santa Fe. The new road will cross the Sierra Nevada mountains at Aho of the Clackamas county Lewis and Pass, at an elevation of 6,491 feet, but Clark exhibit that the necessary funds at a maximum grade east-bound of 11/4 for installing the educational exhibit per cent and west-bound of 6-10ths of 1 inside the city limits. The reason for will be forthcoming, the members of per cent. The line will cross the Santa

Ready to Fight Once More. Paris, April 14.—Captain Rode tele-graphs to the Matin that he has been the guest of Kaulbars, commander of the second Manchurian army at the Russian front. The captain's observations showed that the Russian army had been reinforced and is prepared to mitted by Governor Chamberlain, At- renew the battle. The troops maneuvto and frequent cavalry skirmishes take place. The prisoners captured have sabre cuts on their heads, showing

hand-to-hand skirmishes. Flood Damages Arizona Railroad. Phoenix, Ariz., April 14. - For two or three days it has been raining heavily in Ariozna. Early this morning 300 feet of the pile structure built to repair the Phoenix & Eastern railway bridge over Salt river at Tempe was washed away. Salt river is still high tonight and some fear is expressed for the Maricopa & Phoenix railway bridge than at any time this year and is fully as high at the Arizona canal dam as at

Invite Taft to Australia.

any previous time.

Manila, April 14 .- Governor Gene ral Northcote, of the commonwealth of Australia, will, it is understood, invite Secretary of War Taft and party to visit Australia during the party's forthcoming visit to the Philippines. The commonwealth of Australia will defray the entire expense, it is said. Manila is preparing to entertain Mr. Taft and party on an extensive scale during their stay in Mania.

Submarines at Vladivostok

Tokio, April 14 .- It is reported here that the Russians at Vladivostok are conducting experiments with six submarine vessels, and that these vessels are all of foreign manufacture, and include French, British and American